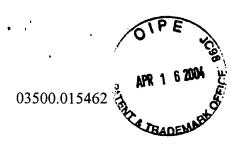
PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
KIYOTAKA WASA ET AL.	: Examiner: A. Tugbang
KITOTAKA WASALI AL.	: Group Art Unit: 3729
Application No.: 09/880,757)
Filed: June 15, 2001	:) :
For: STRUCTURE OF PIEZOELECTRIC)
ELEMENT AND LIQUID	:
DISCHARGE RECORDING HEAD,)
AND METHOD OF	:
MANUFACTURE THEREFOR) March 16, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated December 16, 2003, for one month, from March 16, 2004 to April 16, 2004.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in, or overpayment of, this fee should be charged, or credited, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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